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1. CHAIRMAN MBFR DATA SUBGROUP HAS CIRCULATED MILSTAM (MBFR)-31-73 (REVISED) (POUCHED TO WASHINGTON AND VIENNA) UPDATING COMPARISON OF US AND NATO ESTIMATES ON WARSAW PACT (WP) AND NATO GROUND FORCES.

2. MILSTAM (MBFR)-31-73 (REVISED) INCLUDES COMPARATIVE TABLES RELATING TO NATO AND WP MANPOWER AND TANKS IN NATO GUIDELINES AREA (NGA). THREE ANNEXES ARE ATTACHED TO DOCUMENT: ANNEX A PROVIDES BREAKDOWN BY COUNTRY OF NATO AND WP GROUND FORCES MANPOWER IN NGA; ANNEX B PROVIDES COUNTRY CONFIDENTIAL

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BREAKDOWN ON MAIN BATTLE TANKS; AND ANNEX C COMPARES US AND NATO ESTIMATES ON HUNGARIAN MANPOWER AND TANKS.

3. COVER NOTE TO MILSTAM STATES THAT NATO DATA ON WARSAW PACT

FORCES (IN TABLES) ARE MC224 INTELLIGENCE CONFERENCE AGREED FIGURES. IT ADDS QUOTE A NATION WISHING TO HAVE THESE FIGURES ALTERED IS TO SUBMIT THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE INTELLIGENCE DIVISION, IMS, THROUGH NORMAL INTELLIGENCE CHANNELS. ON RECEIPT OF SUCH RECOMMENDATION, THE INTELLIGENCE DIVISION, IMS, WILL TAKE THE NECESSARY ACTION TO OBTAIN NATO AGREEMENT TO THE AMENDMENT AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE; HOWEVER, IT MUST BE REMEMBERED THAT THIS PROCEDURE TAKES TIME. END QUOTE.

4. IF US RECOMMENDS CHANGES THROUGH INTELLIGENCE CHANNELS, PLEASE NOTIFY USNATO AS AN INFO ADDRESSEE. RUMSFELD

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